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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

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Election day, November 2.

Resolved, That the platform adopted at the National convention of Democracy in 1896 be endorsed fully and without reserve.

Time to Compromise. Of the various propositions before the miners' convention at Pittsburg the most sensible is that which proposes that the strikers return to work at the 65-cent rate, pending arbitration relative to the remaining four cents demanded by the miners.

McKinley and Cuba. In offering an explanation for President McKinley's deliberation and caution with reference to the Cuban issue, the Chicago Times-Herald says:

The president took office under a pledge to give the improvement of business conditions in this country the first place in his consideration.

It is difficult for the average American to perceive wherein there is any necessity to threaten war or pick a quarrel. Nothing of the kind is desired or demanded.

Such a recognition would not give Spain any just ground for anger; it would involve no departure from the established principles of international law; it would overstep no precedent nor would it indicate on the part of this government any ill-will.

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That is what the laws are for. What judges are for is to expound and apply the laws and to do the part in regard to orderly ways toward making them terrible to actual lawbreakers.

The Courant holds with The Tribune that it is in the interests of the courts themselves, of the federal judiciary as well as of the country, that public protest be raised against even the appearance of an abuse of their power.

It is the bitterness injected because of this issue into the last presidential campaign and it continues: "We do not want to see any more such campaigns in this country. We want to see the courts of the United States securely bulwarked on every side (as they have been for so many years) by the confidence and veneration of the people.

We do not believe that the sight of a federal judge fulminating novel and unnecessary injunctions from the bench, as an apparent preliminary to the substitution of summary 'contempt' proceedings for the ordinary, orderly process of the law, tends to inspire this result.

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lapels and very voluminous black bloomers. The third was simply and quietly clad in a Trilly hat, a long coat and zaiters. Then the crowd took a hand in the show. Jeers, whoops, yells, hisses, pointed remarks and other noisy sounds assailed the ears of the trio of prize riders.

They were about to mount for the trip, but they could no longer endure the chaffing of the army of bystanders and with one accord turned and fled the shortest way out of sight. Evidently in England, as in America, the pathway of reform is beset with difficulties.

Rumor has it that Secretary of the Commonwealth, Reader, contemplates resigning and that David Martin of Philadelphia will be named to succeed him.

The appearance of Mr. Martin at Harrisburg in such a capacity would furnish material for a vast deal of interesting if not accurate speculation.

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their melody and volume. He joined in service he told the scholars that if they had enjoyed the hour as much as he had it was the greatest Sunday school session they had ever had.

HAWAII.

Rochester Democrat and Chronicle. The Chicago Tribune publishes a letter from Honolulu, written by Charles M. Pepper, giving an interesting description of how Hawaii is now governed.

The general scheme of the provisional republic includes a senate and a house of representatives, and a council of state. The last-named body is composed of fifteen members, five by the house of representatives, five by the president, and five by the council of state.

The members of the council are holding their office as trustees of the Hawaiian people, and are not engaged in public affairs, and incur no liabilities. The prerogatives of this body are as follows: To advise and strengthen the president during periods intervening between the sessions of the legislature.

It acts as a pardon board in conjunction with the president and is also liable to be convened by the president whenever its advice may be wanted. In quiet times like the present small need is shown for a council of state, yet its existence is a source of reserve power that tends to strengthen the whole fabric of the state.

The constitution was modeled after that of the United States, with annexation expressly in view, and with the idea of habituating the people to the American form of government.

The council of state, as an additional feature, was designed to popularize and strengthen the government, and it has succeeded in accomplishing this purpose. The prevailing feeling is one of content, of confidence in the president, and of approval of union with the United States.

Mr. Pepper writes: "Tested by the experience of nearly five years, this Hawaiian government is not only sound in respect, studied carefully it evokes admiration. Analyzed it seems to lack no real element of association with the popular institutions. After a brief period of observation I have been struck with its flexibility."

Some features of life in Honolulu are thus noted: "The characteristics of climate, soil and sky are blended in the system of government. The gentleness and openness of the native people are respected. The rigor of Puritan principles is softened in non-essentials. Honolulu, for instance, has a Sunday-closure law, and it is enforced. But on Sunday afternoons a public concert is given by the government band at Kapiolani park, and everybody is usually to be seen there. The band is as much an institution as the marine band in Washington, with a difference. That in Hawaii it contributes more to the popular enjoyment. In other respects also liberality is shown by the authorities in making provision for the entertainment of the people, or for a small country there is no lack of outward form with which to dignify the government.

The tropical fondness for display is cultivated in the military uniforms and with arms pose the grounds of the palace. They are relieved at intervals with military precision and under military orders. Not an hour out of the twenty-four finds the palace without sentries on duty. Hardly a night have I failed to hear the sentries cry, "Twenty o'clock, and all's well." All this is not empty form. When in 1895 the partisans of the overthrown monarchy sought to overthrow the provisional republic, their plan was to seize the palace. The basement of the building is used as an arsenal and the barracks of the Hawaiian National Guard are only a few hundred feet away."

President Dole is described as a man of rare ability and tact, capable of meeting any situation, and enjoying the implicit confidence of all the people, including the friends of the deposed queen. Under his administration agriculture and other industries have prospered as never before. Various public improvements have been made, and an admirable educational system has been established. Honolulu is described as an excellently governed municipality, in which sanitary regulations are strictly enforced, to the great advantage of all residents. The regular police is made up of native Hawaiians, with the exception of the mounted force, and selected natives are also numerously employed in the offices of the government.

There is no attempt to suppress freedom of speech, and the press is free to discuss the government. The president has explained to me how much better they could have managed the controversy with Japan than Foreign Minister Cooper has done. Smith, the president of the American League and the Annexation club have told me that President Dole is an "old fogey," too slow for a wideawake man, and that he is not so qualified as expressed in view. It may be added that this is the manifest destiny of the islands, that we want them and they want us, and that such has been the American view for many years, and that wise statesmanship will consummate the union without unnecessary delay.

THE BUSIEST MONTH. From the Times-Herald. There is little doubt that the month of August, 1897, was the busiest August ever known. It was the first month in which the daily average of settlements through clearing-houses exceeded materially that of the corresponding month of 1896, the excess at the principal cities being 12.3 per cent. The volume of business in textile goods last month also surpassed all preceding records, the total being 23,800 cars, being 12,124 cars in excess of last year's receipts.

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